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## Intimations.

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THE HONGKONG SCHOOLS will hold their ANNUAL SPORTS on the RACE COURSE at HAPPY VALLEY, on THURSDAY, the 26th March, commencing at 1 p.m. The events will be run on WEDNESDAY, the 25th. All are invited to attend.  
A. W. GRANT,  
W. R. SEYMOUR,  
Hon. Secretaries.  
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**Auctions.**

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at the residence of Mr. C. G. Cohen, No. 1, Camera Villas, The Peak.

**Miscellaneous.**

10 a.m.—Military Practice.

**General Memoranda.**

THURSDAY, March 26:—

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 2, Elliot Crescent, Robinson Road.

Goods per *Sachsen* undelivered on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Richmond* Castle not cleared on this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, March 27:—

3 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 4, East Terrace, Kowloon.

Goods per *Indra* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Afridi* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, March 28:—

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of Watkins, Limited, at the Company's Office.

2.00 p.m.—Auction of Dress Materials, &c., at Mr. V. I. Remedios' Sales Rooms.

MONDAY, March 30:—

8 p.m.—Auction of Crown Lands at the Public Works Department.

TUESDAY, March 31:—

8 p.m.—Annual Oxford and Cambridge Dinner in the Hongkong Hotel.

THURSDAY, April 2:—

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of H.M.'s Justices of the Peace at the Magistracy.



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**DEATHS.**

At Singapore, on March 15, Caroline, widow of Capt. John Dill Ross.

At Ipoh, on March 18, on the 18th March, Mrs. JAMES GEORGE, aged 61 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.45 p.m.

**The China Mail.**

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1903.

**EDITORIAL COMMENT.**

The election of two members of the Sanitary Board takes place to-morrow afternoon, at 4 p.m., in the City Hall. Mr. J. W. Norton Kyshe, Registrar of the Supreme Court, is the Returning Officer, and the election will be carried out by him according to Schedule C of the new Public Health and Buildings Ordinance. These rules are as follow:—

1. Elections shall take place at such time and place as shall be previously notified by the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

2. The Registrar of the Supreme Court, hereinafter termed The Registrar, shall in accordance with any such notification summon to an election the persons by law entitled to vote at such election and shall provide at the election.

3. The name of every candidate must be proposed in writing by one elector and seconded by another.

4. No elector shall give more than one vote.

5. The voting shall be by ballot.

6. The name of every elector voting must be recorded.

7. The ballot box must be opened and the votes counted in the presence of the electors present.

8. Candidates, as such, are not disqualified from voting.

9. In the event of two candidates having an equal number of votes only one of whom can be elected, their names must be submitted to another ballot.

10. As to any matter connected with the order of proceeding not hereby provided for, the Registrar shall take such order as he thinks fit.

11. The Registrar shall make a return of the election to the Governor as soon as conveniently may be after the election. The return must be accompanied by the Governor's information by:—

(a.) A list of the electors present at the meeting.

(b.) A list of the candidates with the names of their proposers and seconders.

(c.) A list of voters.

(d.) A statement of the number of votes given for each candidate.

It will be seen from the above that it is open to contend that each elector can register only one vote. This is obviously an oversight, for when more than two candidates are before the electors for two seats at the Board it is only fair that each elector should have two votes. This is the method allowed in the School Board and Municipal Elections at Home, and should certainly be the method here. Before the Ballot is taken to-morrow, it would be well for the supporters of the European candidates to arrange in such a way that their votes may be divided to ensure their success; and it should be the duty of the Government or of the Unofficial Members of Council to see that the ambiguous rules quoted above are altered before the next election. As to who is entitled to vote we understand that the Government do not propose to publish any list of electors. The Returning Officer is invested with full powers to decide who is entitled to vote, and we understand he will act to-morrow with the full support and concurrence of the legal advisers of the Government. Clause 8 of the Ordinance says that two members of the Board shall be elected by such ratepayers as are included in the Special and Common Jury List, and also by such ratepayers as are exempt from serving juries on account of their professional avocations. We understand that it has been ruled that the Unofficial Members of Council are not entitled to a vote, and that persons who live in Hotels, and who do not contribute to the public rates directly, are not to be allowed to vote. Jurors who are proprietary members of the Hongkong Club are said to be within the charmed circle of voters; but chas as yet seems to rule as to who is who. These are interesting points. Hitherto, it has been assumed that nearly every European resident was a ratepayer, and it is not at all improbable that appeals may be made against the ruling of the Crown's legal advisers. It is to be hoped there will be a large attendance of those who consider themselves entitled to vote, and that no effort shall be spared to secure the election of Messrs. Pollock, Shelton Hooper, or Mr. Hewett. We understand that Mr. E. A. Hewett has decided to allow his name to be brought forward on the present occasion, notwithstanding the reports to the contrary. A numerous signed petition was presented to H.E. the Governor this afternoon, protesting against the interpretation of the Ordinance, which gave voters one vote only, although two candidates were to be elected. This limitation was represented as absurd and contrary to usage and common sense. We have not as yet heard the result of the petition.

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**Burning of Bibles.**

There is great indignation in consequence of the confirmation of the report of the burning of Protestant Bibles in Fiji by Catholic priests and others.

**A Spanish Decoration.**

King Alfonso of Spain has conferred upon General Fukushima the highest Spanish Order in recognition of his services in the relief of Spanish citizens besieged in Peking during the Boxer upheaval.

**Depression at Tientsin.**

A Tientsin telegram, dated 17th inst., published by the *Ostasiatische Lloyd* says:—The continued depression upon the money market has forced thirteen of the smaller Chinese Banks and Cashshops to go bankrupt.

**Sanitary Board Election.**

The following is the heading of the ballot paper for to-morrow's election:—

The Voter must make a cross (X) against the name of the proposed candidate he votes for. He must not vote for more than one candidate.

**Counterfeit Bank Notes.**

Seven bank note counterfeiters were arrested in Kobe last month charged with forging Shanghai \$5 bank notes to the amount of over yen 200,000, and selling them to Chinese at the ports, on the pretence that they got them during the Boxer troubles.

**Sufferings of a Ship's Crew.**

The schooner *Forest Home*, which left Hakodate on the 17th December last, bound for Yokohama, put into Honolulu on the 14th ult. in distress, with her sails blown away and her crew starving. For over a month they had had nothing but a cup of rice a day, and for the last two days nothing at all.

**Bankers Decorated.**

The Yokohama papers report that Mr. David Jackson, Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and Mr. T. S. Baker, Acting Sub-Manager, have each been granted the Fourth Class Order of the Rising Sun, as a mark of the Imperial approval of their services in connection with the sale of the 5 per cent. bonds in London last year.

**A Voting Qualification.**

In the Criminal Court, Melbourne, recently, a Hindoo, who had been convicted, was being asked the usual questions, and the associate inquired if his name was on any electoral roll. The Hindoo inquired, 'What's that?' and was then asked, 'Have you a vote? did you ever vote for a member of Parliament?' 'No,' he replied decidedly, 'but I was in the Kew Lunatic asylum.'

**Steamer Quarantined.**

The *Kobe Herald* of the 17th inst. reports:—The British steamer *Kwangan*, which arrived in port from Hongkong direct early this morning, was put in quarantine at Wada Point for ten days. The explanation given is that a coiled employed on board discharging cargo while the vessel was in Hongkong fell down and sustained fatal injuries. A post mortem examination was held, however, and this showed that the man had succumbed to bubonic plague. Hence the detention of the vessel at Wada.

**Society News.**

The *Chicago Tribune* of the 28th January contains the following:—At St. Paul's church, Kenwood, last evening, the wedding of Miss Edith A. Goodman to Mr. William Bradley Walker of Hongkong, was celebrated at 8 o'clock. The Rev. Herman Page performed the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Major Thomas Chard Goodman, U. S. A. The family formerly lived in Chicago, but now resides at Chattanooga, where Major Goodman is stationed. The bride and groom first met in Manila. The bride's sister, Miss Ethel Goodman, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Anne Desford, Miss Eleanor McCaskey, Miss Lina Towar, Miss Lillian Vent, and Miss Florence Fikes of Dayton, O. Mr. Arthur Cooley of Omaha was the best man. The ushers were Capt. O. R. Wolf of the Twenty-second infantry, Capt. F. M. Smith, Lieut. J. W. Eaton, and Capt. George Mearns, all of the Twentieth infantry, and Thomas G. McWilliams, George B. Kerr Jr., and William A. Goodman Jr. Frederick Goodman Vent was master of ceremonies. The church was decorated with pink roses and palms. The bride wore a princess gown of white crepe, trimmed with point lace, and carried a bouquet of white roses. The bridesmaids wore white gowns and carried bouquets of pink roses. Following the ceremony a supper was given at the Hyde Park hotel. After an extended wedding trip in the United States, Mr. and Mrs. Walker will live in Hongkong.

**WHAT IS A COUGH?**

A spasmodic effort to expel the mucus from the bronchial tubes. A cold causes a more abundant secretion of mucus, and when the lungs and bronchial tubes are inflamed, they are extremely sensitive to the irritation. Unless rest is taken, the cold may result in pneumonia, which is swift and deadly. If the cold is a lingering one, the more leisurely but equally fatal consumption may set in. Do not neglect a cold or cough. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

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**Notes by the Way.**

Parcels mails for Europe, &c., per s.s. *Mulla* will close at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 27th inst.

The Hongkong Schools Athletic Sports take place on Thursday at the Happy Valley.

It is reported, that the steamer *Chelydra* has been sold to a Japanese shipowner.

A movement is progressing for the abolition of the use of Chinese ideographs in Japan.

Interesting Telegrams relating to the Army and Navy Estimates will be found on Page 2.

The Marylebone Cricket Committee have decided to adhere to the proposal to widen the wicket.

On the 1st inst. there 2,351 banks in Japan with an aggregate capital of yen 532,835,820.

Lu Chuan-lin, being anxious to retire, has wired to H. E. Chang Chih-tung to hurry up to Peking.

Mr. Murdoch Mackenzie of the I. M. Customs, which he joined in 1874, died at Tientsin on the 8th inst., aged 61.

Mr. S. Gilmore of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank is joining the firm of L. Watts Doney & Co., at Tientsin.

Captain P. A. Fawcett, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, has been granted three months' leave of absence to Colombia.

The British twin-screw cruiser *Pique* will sever its connection with the China Station, probably at the end of this month.

A member did the round of the Golf Links at Tientsin recently in 33. Colonel Boyce's standard, hitherto unapproached, being 40.

Owing to the dispute between China and Russia as to the control of the Customs at Dalny, no import duties are being levied there.

A telegram to a Japanese contemporary says:—The Admiralty has expressed approval of water-tube boilers, despite the adverse criticism.

The Emperor of China's telegram of condolence on the death of Prince Komatsu was sent direct and was in English, and the Emperor of Japan's reply was also in English.

There were 289 Europeans and 62 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 59 Europeans and 2501 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ending 22nd March.

A lighter with some 300 men and women in it returning from their day's work for the Mian Bishi Co., capsized in Nagasaki harbour on the 13th inst. Divers recovered four bodies, and one of them was brought back to consciousness.

**Ceylon Pearl Fishery.**

The Ceylon Pearl Fishery of 1903 is now in full swing. Six thousand divers, a thousand boatmen and 201 boats are engaged. The first day produced a million, and 10 cents was the popular price for the potential pearl and periarp.

**The Health of the Colony.**

During the week ended 21st inst., there were 23 cases of plague reported in the Colony (1 Indian and 22 Chinese). All proved fatal. There were also 2 cases of diphtheria (European), 1 of enteric fever (European), 1 of scarlet fever (European), and 1 fatal case of smallpox (Chinese). The total number of plague cases for the year was 97, and all proved fatal.

**The Kwangsi Rebellion.**

They are still much concerned in North China over the Kwangsi rebellion, and seem to know a great deal more about it than the people of Kwangsi. A Peking native correspondent writing to the *N. C. Daily News* of the apathy with which news of the dangerous spread of the rebellion in Kwangsi is received by the Empress Dowager and her advisers, states that several prominent officials in the capital, whose native province is Hunan, have been lately quite disturbed at the receipt of home letters reporting the near approach of Kuangsi rebels into Hunan. It is recalled that when the Taiiping rebellion, which also began in Kwangsi, obtained headway, after Kuangtung Hunan was the next province invaded by the rebels, and apparently the same tactics are to be followed in the present rebellion. In consequence of this Hunanese officials in the capital are becoming anxious for their homes and several leading members of that community have obtained protracted leave of absence from the Empress Dowager to return to Hunan to look after matters. Amongst these is H. E. Earl Tsing, President of the Imperial Banqueting Court, who arrived lately en route to his native province.

He offered her his hand and fortune. 'Did she accept?' 'No, no, the first was too large and the second was too small!'

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**Joy in Bumbledom.**

The *N. O. Daily News* publishes a telegram from Tientsin stating that the Tientsin Volunteers are awarded the Chap for the Relief of Peking.

**British Troops in China.**

It is notified that the administration of the British Contingent in North China will be transferred to the War Office with effect from the 1st April.

**Inspection of the Hongkong Volunteers.**

Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne will make his annual inspection of the Hongkong Volunteers on Saturday next, at 3 p.m., on the New Parade Ground.

**Indian Military Budget.**

Next year's Indian Military Budget will include two lakhs for electric punkabs and lights in British barracks, two lakhs for dairies and one lakh for Native Infantry lines at Quetta.

**Sale of Confiscated Arms.**

At the compound of the Central Police Station this morning, a large quantity of arms confiscated to the Crown, were sold by public auction. The largest bidders were Chinese gun merchants, who swept away the 'bargains from other bidders.

**Theft.**

At the instance of J. Lacock, head watchman of Messrs Butterfield's Ship-building yard at Quarry Bay, Li Kwai was brought before Mr. F. A. Hazeland this morning, charged with stealing two steel plates valued at about \$8.50, the property of the yard. After evidence, Li was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment.

**Another Tea Party in Prospect.**

It is reported from Peking, that the Empress Dowager is thinking of giving another Tea Party to the ladies of the Foreign Legations before starting for the Western Mausolea early next April. Perhaps this Tea Party is intended to lull suspicion; and then, again, perhaps not, but these excessive attentions on the part of the Empress Dowager remind one of the palmy days just preceding the sanguinary operations of 1900.

**The British Association.**

Mr. Balfour has been elected President of the British Association for the coming year. The meeting in 1905 will be held at Capetown and Johannesburg. The Times considers the Association will play the part of an Imperial mission helping forward the work of reconciliation, and hints that the Prince of Wales will accept the Presidency in succession to Mr. Balfour, and will accompany the Association to South Africa, making the visit in every sense an Imperial one.

**New Cure for Malaria.**

Dr. Dempwolf, who succeeded Professor Koch as head of the German Expedition for the prevention of malaria in German New Guinea, states that he has discovered the existence of an aquatic insect which destroys the Anopheles mosquito, said to be the originator of malaria. He proposes to cultivate these useful insects by artificial means, and in this way, hopes to exterminate the malaria mosquito.

**Another Serious Mutiny.**

We learn from Japan exchanges that two men on board the British ship *Dumfries* at Hakodate were taken to the Harbour Police Office at Nagasaki charged with murderous assault on the second and third mates of the ship. The police returned them on the ground that though the crime was committed in the harbour, they had no jurisdiction. H. M. Vice-Consul also repudiates having any jurisdiction, and the men are on board the ship, where the crew is in a state of mutiny and refuses to allow the culprits to be put in irons, while their victims are in the hospital, one at the point of death. The captain has appealed to the British Minister.

**A New Company.**

We are informed that a scheme is under consideration for the formation of a new Company, under the name of the 'Philippine Company Limited.' The company will be registered in Hongkong, and it is suggested that it should have a capital of \$800,000, divided into 80,000 shares of \$10 each. It is also proposed that this amount will be sufficient to buy up the Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., giving shareholders one share in the new company for every share in the old company, and will buy out the Investment Co., thus absorbing 14,139 shares at \$223,780. It has also been proposed to sell the *Manila Times* and the *Gila* Tobacco Company in Manila. The Board of Directors will meet in Manila and not in Hongkong. We are informed that if the scheme is successful one of the leading firms of local brokers in the Colony will be appointed General Managers.

**THE UNLUCKY BOY**

It is always getting his fingers burnt, his hand cut or his shoulder sprained. His parents should keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the house. This is a liniment of superior merit. One application gives relief. Try it. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

**TELEGRAMS.**

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

**VENEZUELA.**

LONDON, March 22, 1903.

President Castro has resigned, but Congress unanimously refuses to accept his resignation.

**THE TRANSVAAL LABOUR QUESTION.**

The Radicals are raising a strong agitation against the proposed methods for recruiting natives for the Rand Mines, and insist that it is merely a form of slavery. Mr. Chamberlain indignantly repels this idea.

**RIOTS AT BUDAPEST.**



## THE NAVAL DOCKYARD.

Minutes of Meeting held at the Hongkong Club House, on TUESDAY, 24th March, 1903.

Hon. R. Shewan briefly referred to the object for which the Meeting was called and moved that Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., be asked to take the chair. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., then took the chair and explained to the Meeting that he had been informed that owing to certain difficulties in connection with the foundations of the new Admiralty Dock, it seemed probable that the Admiralty might be induced to grant a favourable consideration to any reasonable scheme, which might be brought forward for the removal of the Admiralty Dock to some site which was more remote from the business and residential portion of the City of Victoria. The Chairman hoped that the members present were unanimous in their decision to have the Dock removed from its present site, placed as it is in the centre of the sea front of the City of Victoria. (Applause.)

On the motion of the Honourable R. Shewan, seconded by Mr Justice Wills, the following gentlemen were then elected on a Committee for the purpose of bringing the views of the public in this matter before the proper authorities:—

Sir P. Chater, (Chairman), Hon. C. W. Dickson, J. R. M. Smith, Esq., W. E. Cochrane, Esq., Hon. G. Ho, Hon. G. Stewart, and Messrs W. Pate, H. E. Pollock, K.C., E. A. Howett, W. Dunlop, M.I.C.E., A. G. Wood, H. N. Moyle, D.E. Brown, E. W. Mitchell, H. E. Tomkins, G. Balloch, G. H. Medhurst, J. Forbes, Hon. R. Shewan, and J. H. Lewis.

At a meeting of the Committee which was held at the conclusion of the General Meeting, it was decided to ask His Excellency the Governor to consent to receive a deputation from the Committee for the purpose of an interchange of views being effected. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., was then chosen as Chairman of the Committee and Mr H. E. Pollock, K.C., as Honorary Secretary, and a sub-committee was appointed from the General Committee consisting of the Chairman and Messrs R. Shewan, G. Stewart, W. Pate and E. A. Howett, and the Hon. Secretary, for the purpose of drawing up a Petition for presentation to the Secretary of State for the Colonies upon the subject of the removal of the Admiralty Dock from its present site.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE DOLLAR.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL," Hongkong, March 23.

Sir,—With apologies for stirring up what has been well turned over by those more capable than the writer, I ask a little space in your paper to refer to the question of exchange. As things stand, pending the settlement of the currency, a good deal of business must stand over until the value of the dollar is fixed.

It is almost funny to see how the dollar wriggles into sixteen between one and seventeen and sixteen pence. Of course the banks are trusting that Providence will so influence the British Government, as to fix the dollar at one and eightpence for its wonderful duodecimal facilities. The banks, of course, never dream of the heavy demand of the two shilling dollar, such as Siam possesses.

But the ways of finance are inscrutable, and must not be inquired into by outsiders. To question those ways would be looked on as disloyalty.

What a solemn ceremony it must be, the fixing of the daily rate of the dollar. Here we are reminded of the innumerable laws of supply and demand. Anyhow, the two-shilling dollar seems to be the best for the purpose. The immediate sacrifice of the banks will soon be made up by the increased volume of business and the financial abilities of the respective markets. A good deal depends on the earnest declarations of the people of Hongkong, whatever their nationality may be. As they are euphonic and tenacious, so will the dollar be great.

If the Hongkong people keep on knocking, the door will be opened to them. Governments are not always paid to take notice of those who knock with proper persistence. In the near future, it should be possible to have the gold standard of currency with the dollar fixed at two shillings. It seems to me, this would suit the United States, Mexico and South American Republics, and it should not be impossible for an international board to fix the dollar at two shillings.—Yours,

## BRITISHER.

[We think we see what "Britisher" is driving at, but he does not help the discussion very much. Many of us would like to see a 2/ dollar again, but what would be most beneficial to trade is a fixed rate of exchange, whether the dollar is worth 2/ or twopenny.—E.M.]

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 24th at 11.30a. The barometer has fallen rapidly over W. Japan owing to the depression, which is now moving Eastwards off the S. coast of Kiusiu.

Pressure has recovered quickly and is again high over the E. coast of China. The monsoon will set in again in the Formosa Channel during the ensuing 24 hours. Moderate E. winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—NE winds, freshening; fine at first, misty later.

## IT WILL NOT DO

To fool with a bad cold. No one can tell what the end will be. Pneumonia, asthma, chronic bronchitis and consumption invariably result from a neglected cold. As a medicine for the cure of colds, coughs and influenza, nothing can compare with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is always on hand and cures quickly. For sale by All Dealers; Watson & Co., General Agents.

## THE NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT.

## Proposed Removal from the City.

The agitation for the removal of the naval establishment from its present site in the centre of the city to another site is being renewed, and formal representations are to be made to the Imperial and Colonial Governments, in accordance with the proceedings at a private meeting held to-day, particulars of which are published elsewhere.

This is a question of vital importance to the colony, and it is beginning to be realized, to the navy as well. Long before the Naval Yard extensions now in progress were contemplated, it was felt that the presence of the Naval establishment in the heart of the city was inimical to its development. This opinion gathered strength when the plans for the extension were made known, and an attempt was made to have the dockyard removed to the mainland, but either because the Admiralty and Colonial authorities could not see eye to eye in the matter, or, as has been stated, because it was considered the site on the island was safer from a strategic point of view, it was decided to proceed with the extension of the present yard. Work has been in progress for over two years, and a sum of about £250,000 has been already expended.

As the question is of imperial importance it is well that the facts should be widely known.

Any one acquainted with Hongkong knows how extremely scarce is level land adjoining the Harbour. There is a pressing need for more accommodation, and as the trade of the port continues to grow, there is a steadily increasing demand for sites for godowns and business houses. The large reclamation of the foreshore west of the Naval Yard has failed to meet the demand, and the extensive reclamation scheme of the Yard, which has been sanctioned by the authorities and is now in course of preparation, can only partially relieve the congestion. On the west side of the naval and military property there are now four streets, and it is contemplated to have five or six on the east. As they approach the naval and military property, the traffic of those streets is forced into Queen's Road. Here it is throttled; congestion is already the result, and what it will be as the Colony expands after the eastern reclamation only those who have seen the growth of the Colony in recent years can realize. It is quite evident that one effect will be to seriously hamper the naval development of the place. The greater part of the western reclamation is already occupied by Chinese houses, and the eastern reclamation, it is certain, can only serve to accommodate the rapidly increasing Chinese population, and to provide godowns for the increasing trade.

There is need for additional space in the business centre of the City, for the European commercial houses. Only by the removal of the Naval and Military establishments outside the City—the military to the healthier slopes of the island and the Navy elsewhere—can the necessary additional space be obtained. The removal of the Naval Yard would render available a length of 2300 feet of Praya frontage. The space to be occupied by the Naval Yard and its extensions is about 80 acres. If the Naval Yard were removed and the natural line of the Praya continued between Murray Road and Arsenal Street, there would be left available 50 acres of the most valuable building land in the Colony, with four valuable frontages. Taking recent prices for the latest reclamation sites as a guide, it is estimated that the land thus rendered available would be worth at least £10,000,000, or, roughly, nearly £1,000,000. From the sanitary point of view, the removal of the Naval establishment from the city would be a great public advantage.

Looked at from what might be considered the Admiralty point of view the change would lead to greater efficiency and a reduction of current expenditure. Notwithstanding the extension in progress, the site is too restricted for naval purposes, and no further expansion is possible to meet developments in the immediate future. This is already leading to the provision of separate establishments at considerable distances from each other; this in an establishment where concentration is so essential must entail an enormous waste of money, apart from the question of conveniences. The accommodation being provided under the present scheme is confined to a single graving dock, 550 feet long, and a floating basin of 9½ acres.

According to the Navy List of January, 1903, the total number of British warships serving on the China Station is 38, as compared with 59 in the Mediterranean and the Red Sea, and 15 on the Cape of Good Hope and West Coast of Africa Station. The dock accommodation in existence or being provided in the Mediterranean aggregates about nine times that being provided at Hongkong, although the number of ships is little more than 5 per cent greater. The difference between the dock accommodation of the two stations is all the more marked when it is remembered that recently it was announced in the House of Commons that no docking accommodation is to be provided at Weihaiwei or elsewhere on the China Station. It may be remarked that the Japanese docks will be placed at the service of the British

fleet in case of need; but this depends on the maintenance of the alliance with Japan and must be reckoned as uncertain. At the Cape, the Admiralty has now building a dry dock one-half larger and floating basin three times larger than those being provided for the squadron here, although the number of ships there is only a little more than one-third of the China squadron. It should be borne in mind that the China Station is a greater distance from Home, a fact which necessitates more of the repair work being done here, and as the weight and character of the vessels change there is less likelihood of their recall to England to refit at the end of each commission. An increase of the squadron may also be reckoned upon as a certainty. The Far Eastern squadrons of other Foreign Powers—notably Russia—are being increased, and it is noteworthy that in Port Arthur alone Russia has vastly more docking accommodation than is provided at Hongkong.

Looking ahead, therefore, it is easy to see that the present naval establishment in Hongkong will be insufficient for the requirements of the squadron, and even the extensions under way will not bring the establishment up to requirements. This is recognized by many responsible naval officers, and we believe it is correct to say that recent Commanders-in-Chief on the Station favour removal from the present site and the concentration of the whole establishment at a new site elsewhere. At present, the storehouses and engineering and refitting shops are in the city, the torpedo depot is at Kowloon, about two miles away, and the coal stores are distributed throughout the Colony, though an effort has been made of late to concentrate them in a neighbourhood of the torpedo depot at Kowloon. The dockyard officials are housed all over the colony, some at considerable distances, and when the new dock and workshops are completed and the staff brought up to requirements, the housing problem will be even more acute than it has been in recent years.

It would be an obvious advantage to the Navy and to the Colony to have the naval establishment removed to another site away from the centre of the city. Whether the new sites that have been suggested are more vulnerable to an enemy's fleet is a point for experts to decide; but if it be a fact that high naval officers are agreed that the change might be made safely, it may be assumed that it is not a strategic necessity to have the dock, &c., where they are at present. There are other sites available. These sites present overwhelming advantages—concentration in one establishment, unlimited room for expansion, and the creation of a new healthy residential centre for native workmen and European officials and foremen immediately contiguous to the works.

Here the question of cost arises. Regarded as a mere matter of business, it is contended, and we believe reasonably, that this important imperial and colonial improvement could be effected on a sound economic basis. It will pay the Colonial Government to give the Admiralty considerably more ground elsewhere, and to pay compensation for the existing buildings and the work already performed on the naval extension works. The change would be advantageous to both the Colony and the Navy. In the case of the Navy, expansion elsewhere (meaning still another separate establishment) must be contemplated in the not far distant future. In the case of the Colony, its development is retarded by the presence of the Naval Yard in the city, just at the point where relief from congestion is most seriously demanded. The Admiralty might not be justified in making the change, involving expense and delay; unless the Colonial authorities are prepared to reimburse the major portion of the expenditure. As we have said, this the Colony could afford to do, for the disposal of the Naval Yard site could be rapidly effected at high up prices, while the benefit to the Colony, for commercial and sanitary reasons, would be permanent and incalculable.

One strong objection might be urged. The naval yard extension was undertaken after considerable delay, and the docking accommodation for the present large squadron is limited to the local commercial concerns. A change of site means further delay. Can the country afford to incur this delay? We think it can. The ships on the station can all be docked and repaired in the existing shipyards, which are more highly equipped and offered than the naval establishment can be for many years, while the advantages of concentration on a better site, affording opportunity for expansion, should outweigh all other considerations. But if a change is to be made it should be decided upon without undue delay. The matter, in its imperial bearings, is of urgent importance, and every assistance should be given the Admiralty by the Colonial authorities to carry out the contemplated alteration of plans.

TO PREVENT CROUP. BEGIN in time. The first symptom is hoarseness, this is soon followed by a peculiar rough cough, which is easily recognized and will never be forgotten by one who has heard it. The time to act is when the child first becomes hoarse. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is freely given, all tendency to croup will soon disappear. Even after the croupy cough has developed, it will prevent the attack. There is no danger in giving this remedy, as it contains nothing injurious. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

## The Plague in India.

Calcutta, March 4.—258,800 deaths from plague took place in India last week, the principal increase being in the Punjab which had 5,642 deaths.

Bombay, March 7.—Mr Saldanha, Health Officer, Bombay Municipality, has died of plague. His son was also attacked but recovered.

## Felo.

Meerut, March 4.—In the finals of the inter-Regimental Polo Tournament to-day the 15th Hussars beat the 10th Hussars by four goals and one subsidiary to two goals and one subsidiary.

## Obituary.

London, March 10.—Mr. H. C. Leigh Bonycastle, the Conservative Member for Chertsey Division, Surrey, is dead.

## The Prince's Visit.

Calcutta, March 10.—The Indian Daily News bears from home that the visit of the Prince of Wales may be deferred for another year.

## The Sugar Bounties.

London, March 9.—Mr Gerald Daltour, speaking in the House of Commons, said that Australia has stated that she does not desire to adhere to the Sugar Convention. The chief object of the Convention was to protect the sugar industry in India and not yet signified their wishes.

## Indian Coalfields.

Allahabad, March 6.—It is likely that in accordance with the policy of developing the mineral resources of India a scheme of experimental borings will be drawn up which the Geological Department will carry out during the next few years in the various coalfields to be opened and reports upon their capabilities will be furnished to the Government.

## Sporting.

The Koor Sahib of Patiala is sending his horse record in charge of Tom Scott to compete in the steeple-chase at Chantilly and Paris. Lansdowne, Southall and other jockeys from India are going to attend the meeting in July.

## Army Reform in Greece.

London, March 8.—A compromise has been arranged between the Crown Prince of Greece and the Government by which the former who was mentioned on the 25th February as being excluded from the post of Commander-in-Chief, retains the right to promote officers. A Cabinet crisis is thus averted.

## British Trade.

The exports for February increased by £1,463,000, and the imports decreased by £1,130,000.

## Intimations.

THE SANITARY BOARD. Mr. Rumbold's Manifesto.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903. TO the Ratepayers who are eligible to vote at the forthcoming meeting, Sanitary Board Election:—At the request of a very influential section of our community, I come forward and am prepared to stand for election as a member of the Sanitary Board.

I was born in the Colony about 40 years ago, was educated at the Government Central School and at the Queen's College, and in 1882 gained the Morrison Scholarship, then the only scholarship awarded, my competitors being 90 per cent Chinese boys and the principal subjects, translations from English into Chinese and vice versa.

During the past 15 years, I have followed my present occupation, that of Land and Commission Agent. I have given me many opportunities of studying house-construction and the laws of Sanitation. I have at all times taken a great interest in the innumerable measures which have been brought forward relating to our Sanitary condition.

I was one of the signatories to a Petition, sent to the Secretary of State, praying for the appointment of a Commission to inquire into the sanitary state of this Colony. And, with many others, I was greatly surprised and disappointed when I read the measures contained in the Draft Bill, recommended by the Experts from Home which accompanied their joint report.

On the appearance of this Draft Bill in the Government Gazette, I believe it was the first time since the Bill, which after numerous amendments, has now passed into law.

When this Bill was before the Council in the first stage, I was requested to assist the Committee of the Chinese Commercial Union in their efforts to point out the objectionable clauses in the Bill, and a Petition was sent to the Government praying for amendment.

The present Public Health and Buildings Ordinance is in part the result of our labours; and in my opinion, no better Ordinance, under the circumstances, could have been enacted.

It is always easy to make suggestions, but sometimes very difficult to carry them out. As in this Colony three-fourths of our inhabitants are composed of the lower class of Chinese surrounded by conditions of a very exceptional character, owing to their habits of life, I can plainly see that the principal factors in a successful Sanitary administration, are frugality, kindness, great tact, and the enlistment of public sympathy.

As I have stated above, this is my native place and my home. All my interests are centred here, and are likely to remain so until the end of my days. I am a self-made man, and believe I enjoy to no inconsiderable extent the confidence of most of the leading Chinese land-owners in this Colony. Should I be elected, dependent as I am entirely on the prosperity of this place, I shall devote all the time which the responsibilities of my office may demand, for I fully appreciate the importance of those responsibilities.

The health of this Colony constitutes the foundation of its wealth, and I will do my utmost to assist in strengthening that foundation.—Yours faithfully,

464 AHMET I. UMIJAH.

## Temperature.

HONGKONG, March 21, 1903.

Barometer—9 A.M.	30.04
Do. 1 P.M.	30.00
Do. 4 P.M.	29.96
Thermometer—9 A.M.	71
Do. 1 P.M.	72
Do. 4 P.M.	73
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	63
Do. Do. 1 P.M.	69
Do. Do. 4 P.M.	69
Do. (Mercur.)	71
Do. Minimum overnight	60

## To-day's Advertisements

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CHINESE-AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY, Nos. 20 & 21, CONNAUGHT ROAD. Hongkong, March 21, 1903. 649

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will take place on the 28th March, 1903, from a position on Chin Lan Chun Hill (1370) towards targets placed on East side of Nog Tankok (1080).

By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 656

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that NIGHT FIRING will take place at Stonecutters' Island on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY next, the 25th and 26th inst., from 7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 650

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Stonecutters' Island, West Battery, on MONDAY and TUESDAY next, the 30th and 31st March, at targets in a Westerly direction.

Practice will commence at about 9 a.m. By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 658

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY, the 27th March, 1903, commencing at 3 p.m., at No. 4, EAST TERRACE, Kowloon,

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 652

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell, by Public Auction, on

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Captain HODGINS, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, 27th Inst., at 11 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 653

## NOTICE.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, CALCUTTA, DIBOUT, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

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No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agents' Office. Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 655

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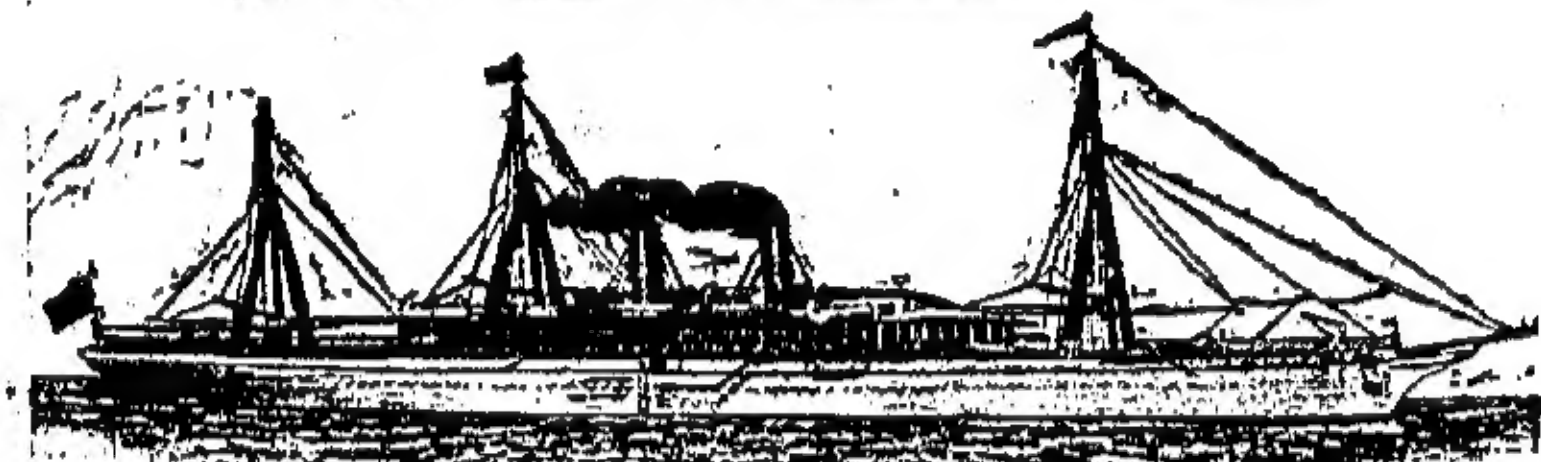
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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Ship	Captain	Destination	Date	Time	Remarks
S.S. Konigsberg	Capt. MAYER	FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	10th April, 1903.	Freight and Passengers.	
S.S. Sambo	Capt. SCHMIDT	CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.	21st April, 1903	Freight.	
S.S. Serbia	Capt. DEINAT	FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	5th May, 1903	Freight.	
S.S. Suenia	Capt. BREMER	CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.	19th May, 1903.	Freight.	

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R.M.S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN	6000	WEDNESDAY	May	13
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	6000	WEDNESDAY	May	27
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF AFRICA	6000	WEDNESDAY	June	10
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Ship	Tons	Captain	Month	Day	Year
INDRASAMHA	5197	R. P. Craven	March	26	1903
INDRAVELLI	4899	W. E. Craven	April	10	1903
INDRAPURA	4899	A. E. Hollingsworth	May	14	1903

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Hongkong, March 10, 1903.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers	Destinations	Sailing Dates
YAWATA MARU A. E. MOSES	NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKO. HAMA.	WEDNESDAY, March 25, at Noon.
WAKANA MARU J. B. MACMILLAN	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 27th March, Daylight.
KUMANO MARU E. W. HASWELL	SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, Via MANILA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BAISANE.	FRIDAY, 27th March, at 4 p.m.
KAMAKURA MARU H. PETERSEN	MARSHALLS, LONDON, AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PEN- ANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 4th April, Daylight.
TORA MARU H. CHRISTIANSEN	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE U.S.A., Via SHANGHAI MOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 7th April, at 4 p.m.

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A. S. Mihara, Manager.  
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FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	MENELAUS	25th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	OANFA	26th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	JARON	3rd April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	AGAMEMNON	9th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	KEREMUN	16th April.

The S.S. OANFA left Singapore on the 20th March, and is due here on 26th inst.

The S.S. MENELAUS left Singapore on 22nd inst., at noon, and is expected here on the 27th inst.

## HOMEWARDS

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON, Via GENOA	KENTUCK	31st March.
LONDON AND ANTWERP	GLAUCOS	14th April.
LONDON	DEUCALION	28th April.
LONDON	KEENON	12th May.
LONDON	CALIGAS	26th May.

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NKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	KEENON	18th April.

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Hongkong, March 24, 1903.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	SWATOW	25th March.
SWATOW, CHEFOU & TIENSHIN.	NANCHANG	25th March.
MANILA	SUNSHINE	25th March.
Cebu and ILOILO	KALPONG	28th March.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	TAIYUAN	28th March.
SHANGHAI	KANSU	1st April.
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Ship	Sailing Dates
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 1st April.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 1st April.
KLAUSCHOU	WEDNESDAY, 29th April.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 13th May.
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 27th May.
PRINZ REG. LUITPOLD	THURSDAY, 11th June.
ROON	THURSDAY, 25th June.
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(passing through the ISLAND		.....	Socotra	C. J. BENTON, R.N.R.	About March 26.
SEA					
SHANGHAI		.....	Batavia	F. R. SUMMERS	About March 28, noon
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA					
S'PORE, PANG, C'BO, PORT		.....	Candia	E. G. ANDREWS	April 1.
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Hongkong, March 21, 1903.

## OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
FOOCHOW, Via SWATOW AND AMOY	ANPING MARU	WEDNESDAY, 25th March.
TAMUL, Via SWATOW AND AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	SUNDAY, 29th March.
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FOR MANZANILLO, MEXICO AND SAN-FRANCISCO VIA MOI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship ATHOLL, Captain E. PORTER, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 31st inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 35, Queen's Road Central, 2nd floor.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, March 21, 1903.

## FOR SINGAPORE, RANGOON AND MOULMAIN.

THE Steamship FREIBURG, Captain PROSSER, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, March 23, 1903.

## THE TRI-METRIC CLASSIC.

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## Shipping.

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship THALES, Captain ROBSON, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, 26th inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAIRRAK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, March 23, 1903.

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship HAILONG, Captain GIBSON, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, 26th inst., at 11 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAIRRAK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, March 23, 1903.

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR IDOLO (Direct).

THE Steamship I DE LA RAMA, Captain F. STEIN, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 26th inst., at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HIJOS DE LA RAMA, 14, Consulate Road, Hongkong, March 21, 1903.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

## FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship TONKIN, Captain SCHMITZ, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, March 19, 1903.

## STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship MALTA, Captain C. L. W. FRANK, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for MARSEILLES and LONDON DIRECT on SATURDAY, the 28th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent, Hongkong, March 14, 1903.

## WING ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## HONGKONG—MACAO LINE.

## THE Steamship CHU KONG.

Capt. MASON.

Departures from HONGKONG to MACAO Daily, at 8.00 a.m., SUNDAY included.

Departures from MACAO to HONGKONG Daily, at 2 p.m., SUNDAY included.

This Steamer is the fastest and has Superior Cabin Accommodation.

FARES: 1st Class ..... \$2.00 2nd ..... 1.00 3rd ..... 0.50

Further Particulars may be obtained at the Office of the

WING ON STEAMSHIP CO., No. 42, Bonham Strand West, Hongkong, March 10, 1903.

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## SUPERIOR ACCOMMODATION.

Moderate Charges.

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To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *A*, near the Kowloon shore *K*, and those in the body of the Shipping and wharves between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the letters denoting the sections.

**Section.**

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Officer
4. From Harbour Master's to the Murest.
5. From Harbour Master's to Peddler's Wharf.
6. From the Market to Peddler's Wharf.
7. From Peddler's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
8. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
9. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
10. From Keller's Island to North Point
11. Kowloon Wharves.
12. Jardine's Wharf.

Havre and Hamburg.	Sambla (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	April 21.
Manila	Ohingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 6.
London & Antwerp	Galucus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 14.
London Antwerp &c.	Candia (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	April 1.
London	Agamemnon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 12.
London &c.	Clintock (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 31.
Manila	Malta (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	March 28, at noon
Manila	Rokilla Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	March 31, at noon
Manila	Gubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	March 28, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Zafro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	April 4, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Sungking (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 28.
Manila & Kobe	Kuonin (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 27, at 4 p.m.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Y.M.	Kikin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	March 29.
New York v. Suez Canal	Yawata Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	March 26, at noon.
New York, Suez Canal	Thordis (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About March 18.
New York, Suez Canal	Afridi (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About April 15.
Swatow	Thales (s)	Douglas Laprak & Co.	March 25, daylight
Swatow, Amoy & Aping.	Maizuru Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	April 1.
Swatow, Amoy & Fuchow	Yamato Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	March 25.
Swatow, Amoy, Foochow	Hajin (s)	Douglas Laprak & Co.	March 27, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Tamsui	Daijint Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	March 29.
Swatow, C'foo, Tientsin	Nanchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 25.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Indramascha (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	March 26.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Indravelli (s)	Portland & Asiatic S. Co.	April 16.
Shanghai	Singan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 28.
Shanghai	Sanus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 28.
Shanghai	Ballaarat (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 28.
Swatow, Amoy & Tamsui	Hailuoning (s)	Douglas Laprak & Co.	March 25, at 10 a.m.
S'hai, Kobe & Y.M.s.	Tonkin (s)	Massageries Maritimes	Mar. 25, 5 p.m.
Tientsin	Singan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 25.
Vancouver (B.C.) &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	April 1.
Vancouver (B.C.) &c.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	April 22.
Vancouver (B.C.) &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	April 22.
Victoria, B.C.	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	March 28.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Olympia (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	April 8.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tacoma (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	April 17.
Victoria via Japan, &c.	Oanfa (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 28.
Yokohama, S'hai, Kobe	Socotra (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 26.
Yokohama and Kobe.	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 28.
Y.M.s, S'hai, M'oi, Kobe	Fekin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	March 25.

MARCH 24th. 1903

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Rate up.	Closing Quotations.
BANKS.				
Beiping and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	£ 125	all	\$69 buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	19,870	£ 10	£ 8	\$22, buyers
Do.	29,656	£ 10	£ 8	\$22, buyers
Do.	750	£ 1	£ 1	\$10, sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 250	£ 50	\$162, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	£ 100	£ 25	\$40, buyers
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	£ 100	£ 25	\$40, buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	£ 100	£ 20	\$41, nominal
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	£ 250	£ 100	\$335, sales
Yankee Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	£ 100	£ 50	\$135, buyers
FIRE INSURANCE.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 100	£ 20	\$82, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 250	£ 50	\$307, buyers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.	50,000	£ 50	all	\$208, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	£ 25	£ 25	\$20, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$25, buyers
Y. C. Farman, Bay & Co. Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$15, sellers
WAREHOUSES, TUGS, ETC.				
Chips and Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$27, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	10,000	£ 50	£ 25	\$20, buyers
Y. C. Farman, Bay & Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$15, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$26, buyers
Shall Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$14, buyers
Shanghai Tug Boat Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$15, buyers
T. K. Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$15, ex div.
Shanghai Cargo Boat Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$15, buyers
Co-operative Cargo Boat Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$15, buyers
REFINING.				
China Sugar Corporation, Limited	20,000	£ 100	all	\$168, buyers
Lagun Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	£ 100	all	\$121, buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7, sellers
WHEAT.				
H. K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	£ 50	all	\$92, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$25, buyers or div., sellers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	£ 100	100	\$176, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	38,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$14, sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$35, buyers
Wei-hei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	2,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	\$11, sales
Fum-ping Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	£ 10	all	\$12, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	£ 50	£ 50	\$83, buyers
TRAMWAYS.				
H. K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£ 100	all	\$327
MINING.				
J. Lehu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	60,000	£ 5	£ 5	\$1, buyers
New Punjion Mining Co., Ltd.	40,000	£ 11	£ 10	\$2, buyers
Preference shares	30,000	£ 1	all	\$6, buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages de Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$600, buyers
Raub Auriferous Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	£ 1	£ 1	\$1, buyers and sellers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	£ 50	all	\$14, buyers
Oriente Hotel, Manilla	2,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$274
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (H'kong)	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$14, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co. Ltd. (Shanghai)	30,000	£ 25	£ 25	\$30, buyers
DEFENSE.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	\$14, buyers
Watkins Limited	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$8, buyers
LIQUOR.				
H. K. & China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£ 10	all	\$14, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$14, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$14, buyers
New Electric Co., Limited	30,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$14, buyers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$12, ex div.
MANUFACTURING.				
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$15, sales
Bell & Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,000	£ 12	£ 12	\$2, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$2, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	6,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$14, buyers
Hk. Steam Water-Hot Co., Ltd.	7,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 74	all	\$11, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	£ 25	all	\$22
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,000	£ 2	£ 2	\$14, buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,000	£ 2	£ 2	\$14, buyers
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 50	all	\$10, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	120	£ 10	£ 10	\$17, buyers
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$17, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	\$17, buyers
Lau	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$10, buyers
Lau-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$10, buyers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$9, buyers
China Portland Iron Mortar Co., Ltd.	60,000	£ 13	£ 12	\$7, buyers
Universal Trading Co.	20,000	£ 20	£ 20	\$32, buyers
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.	4,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$50, nominal
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	£ 10	all	\$40, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	12,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$10, sales
TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES.				
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$30, sales & buyers
Atambra Limited	200	£ 500	£ 50	\$30, buyers

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1888 r.Tls.	767,500 Tls.	350 7/8 %	p. annum	10 % prem.

VERNON and SMYTH, Share-brokers.

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March 23.  
Yong Tai, Chinese steamer, 1,536, Wun-  
an, Shanghai March 20, General.—  
S. N. Co.  
British steamer, 3,957, C. R.  
den, R.N.R., Bombay and Singapore  
March 17, Cotton and Twist.—P. & O. S.  
S. S. Co.  
British steamer, 1,260, R. M. S.  
Singapore, Chinese steamer, 16, via Shang-  
hai, 20, Coal.—C. E. & Mining Co.  
British steamer, 609, M. Merle  
Singapore, March 20, and Hoïchow 22, Gen-  
eral.—A. R. MARRY.  
March 24.  
British steamer, from practice,  
Singapore, Japanese steamer, 3,147, I.  
Hawell, Yokohama March 14, Gen-  
eral.—NIPPON YOKEN KAISRI.  
British steamer, 1,290, K. L.  
Singapore, March 10, General.  
—DUMLEY & Co.  
British steamer, 1,128, P. L.  
Singapore, Manila March 21, Hump.—JAMES  
TILSON & Co.  
British steamer, 1,427, P. L.  
Singapore, Shanghai March 30, via Swat-  
ow.—General.—JAMES MATHEWS & Co.  
British steamer, 820, A. J. Rob-  
inson, March 23, General.—DOUGLAS  
CAMERON Co.  
British steamer, 1,459, L. Davis  
Singapore, Feb. 28, via Manila March  
10.—BUTZENFELD & SWIRE.  
British steamer, 1,024, G. H. Pen-  
ner, Cebu March 15, and Hoïchow 23,  
Singapore, March 17.—BUTZENFELD & SWIRE.  
British steamer, 783, S. Gibb  
Singapore, March 23, General.—DOUGLAS  
CAMERON Co.  
British steamer, 3,968, G. E.  
Singapore, Singapore March 17, Petro-  
leum.—ANSOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Columbian American schooner, 772,  
San Pedro Sound, Lumber.—BUTZEN-  
FELD & SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.  
March 23.  
Crescent, French cruiser, for Hoïchow.  
March 24.  
Ernest Simons, for Europe, & Co.  
Singapore, for Shanghai.  
Singapore, for Yokohama.  
Singapore, for Bangkok.  
Singapore, for Wuhu.  
Singapore, for Swatow.  
Singapore, for Shanghai.  
Singapore, for Manila.  
Singapore, for Singapore and Hong  
Kong.  
Singapore, for Shanghai and Swatow.  
Singapore, for Canton.  
Singapore, for Wuhu.  
Singapore, for Singapore and Bombay.

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**POST OFFICE NOTICES.**  
**MAILS will close:**  
 For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW, on *Ansing Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 25th March.  
 For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI, on *Dayoon*, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 25th March.  
 For SWATOW & BANGKOK, on *Per Desalange*, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 25th March.

British sh.	1772	Dec.	18	Standard Oil Co.
British sh.	2069	Mar.	17	Standard Oil Co.
dit. bge.	1516	June	13	Order
mer. sh.	1084	Feb.	23	Gilman & Co.
dit. sh.	2080	Mar.	17	Standard Oil Co.
dit. sh.	360	Mar.	13	Order
dit. bge.	2760	Feb.	23	Order

The C. F. R. S. Co.'s *Athenion* arrived at Nankiang, and left again at 6 p.m. on same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on Thursday, the 26th March.

The H. A. L. steamer *Saxonia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of 23rd March, and will be expected here on or about the 29th March.

### Hongkong Tides.

The tide table given below has been compiled at the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Western Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the soundings in the Admiralty Charts which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean low water.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamou Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

25th to 31st March.	
High Water	Low Water
1st March	1st March

Week.	Days.	Mean Temp.	Height.	Mean Temp.	Height.
Wed.	15	8 1/2	4 5/8	9 5/8	6 1/8
Thur.	16	8 1/2	4 5/8	9 5/8	6 1/8
Fri.	17	8 1/2	4 5/8	9 5/8	6 1/8
Sat.	18	8 1/2	4 5/8	9 5/8	6 1/8
Sun.	19	8 1/2	4 5/8	9 5/8	6 1/8
Mon.	20	8 1/2	4 5/8	9 5/8	6 1/8
Tues.	21	8 1/2	4 5/8	9 5/8	6 1/8

Exchange.	
HONGKONG, March 24, 1903.	
On London—	
Bank, Wire, .....	177 1/2
30 days sight, .....	177 1/2
60 days sight, .....	177 1/2
3 months sight, .....	177 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand, .....	2004
Credit, 4 months sight, .....	2044
On Berlin—	
On demand, .....	1638
On New York—	
On demand, .....	38 1/2
Credit, 60 days sight, .....	38 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire, .....	118 1/2
On demand, .....	118
On Calcutta—	
Wire, .....	118 1/2
On demand, .....	119
On Singapore—	
On demand, .....	Nom.
On Hongkong—	
On demand, .....	1 1/2 P. M.

On demand, ...	73 1/2
80 days sight, (private paper) ...	74 1/2
Yokohama—	
On demand, ...	73 1/2
Local Leaf, 100 fms, (per box), ...	\$66.40
Gold Coins (Bank's buying rate) ...	\$12.50
... per oz.	22 1/2

**ARRIVALS AT THE DOCKS.—At Kiocho,**  
 Anshan, Compania de Filipinas, Sherman,  
 S.S.S. Lolo de Cuba, Paul Doumer,  
 Lolo, Grosvenor, Himsang, Hayades,  
 M.M.S. Glory.  
**Departments.—Chowta.**  
 ...—Gorsania, Triumph.

Daily Const. Meteorological Register.							
23rd March.—At 4 P.M.							
Station.		Hours.	Rainfall.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Wind.
						Fresh.	Force.
W'otook	2	p.		30.08		N	2
Nomuro .....	"	"		30.13		"	2
Hakodate .....	"	"		30.10		S	4
Tokio .....	"	"		30.11		E	2
Kochi .....	"	"		30.11		E	2
Nagasaki .....	"	"		30.11		E	2
Kagoshima .....	"	"		30.11		E	2
Oshima .....	"	"		30.08		S	6
Naha .....	"	"		30.09		S	4
Ishijima .....	"	"		30.09		N	4
Tahoku .....	1	p.		30.03		E	2
Saichu .....	"	"		30.02		NW	2
Tatsumi .....	"	"		30.03		NW	2
Koshun .....	"	"		30.03		E	4
Pescadore .....	"	"		30.05		NW	2
Weihaiwei .....	3	p.		30.01	54	94	SW
Outchou .....	"	"		30.97	64	84	SE
Sheng Pek .....	"	"		30.05	69	80	SE
Swarow .....	5	p.		30.03	72		
Canton .....	"	"		29.93	76	86	B

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F. F. FIOG, Acting Director.  
Hongkong Observatory, March 24, 1905.

BAROMETR. reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit  
to the level of the sea in inches, fathoms, and  
meters.

TEMPERATURE in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit  
and Centigrade.

HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the number  
of grains of water saturated with moisture being per  
cubic foot of air.

WIND, direction and force.

STATE OF SKY, in words, and by the following scale:

1. Clear, 2. Partly clear, 3. Blue sky, 4. detached clouds  
drifting, 5. fog, 6. gloom, 7. haze, 8. lightning  
clouds, 9. heavy showers, 10. squally, 11. rain, 12. moderate  
rain, 13. drizzle, 14. dew or frost.

SEA, in words, and by the following scale: